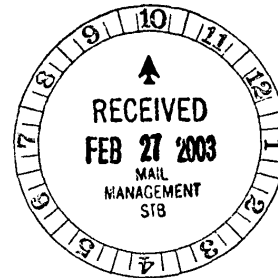


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Mr. Vernon Williams, Secretary  
Surface Transportation Board  
1925 K Street, N.W.  
Washington, D. C. 20423-0001

Attention: Frankie McNair

**Re: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 158X) - Union Pacific Railroad Company  
-- Abandonment Exemption -- In McPherson, Ellsworth and Rice  
Counties, KS**

Dear Mr. Williams:

The Union Pacific Railroad Company has received a request from the City of Lindsborg for a 60 day extension in which to complete negotiations for the acquisition of that portion of the Union Pacific's right-of-way in the McPherson Subdivision between milepost 531.40 to milepost 530.60 for a distance of 80 miles and the Hosington Subdivision between milepost 495.80 to milepost 497.4 for a distance of 1.6 miles, for an interim recreational trail. The Union Pacific is willing to continue to negotiate with the City of Lindsborg concerning the acquisition of the subject property for interim recreational trail and supports the City of Lindsborg's request for an extension of the negotiation period for 60 days commencing March 2, 2003. A copy of the City of Lindsborg's request is attached hereto as Exhibit A and hereby made a part hereof.

Ten (10) additional copies of this letter and exhibit are enclosed for the Board's use and distribution.

Very truly yours,

MHS/taf  
Enclosure

cc: Stan Misfeldt  
Ray Allamong  
Lynda Prucha

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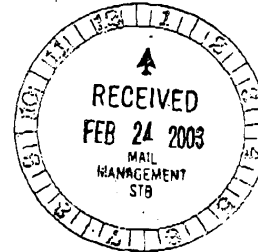


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RE: Docket No. AB-33 (Sub-No. 158X), Union Pacific Railroad Company-Abandonment  
Exemption-In McPherson, Ellsworth and Rice Counties, KS

~~Docket No. AB-406 (Sub-No. 12X), Central Kansas Railway Limited Liability  
Company-Discontinuance Exemption-In McPherson, Ellsworth and Rice Counties,  
KS~~

Dear Secretary Williams:


The City of Lindsborg has been negotiating with Union Pacific Railroad Company for  
public use and trail use conditions pertaining to the following line segments:

Hoisington Subdivision - Milepost 495.80 to Milepost 497.4, a distance of 1.6  
miles.

McPherson Subdivision - Milepost 531.40 to Milepost 530.60, a distance of .80  
miles.

The negotiations continue with Union Pacific Railroad for rail banking the  
aforementioned rail corridor. The extension granted is set to expire on March 3, 2003.  
The negotiations continue on the value of the non-reversionary property that is a  
component of the rail corridor. Additionally, fiber optic easements must be registered  
before there can be a transfer of property. Union Pacific agrees to continue negotiations  
and both parties continue to negotiate in good faith. Therefore, I request that the  
Surface Transportation Board extend the period for negotiations another 60 days until  
May 2, 2003.

Sincerely,

  
Gregory A. DuMars  
City Administrator

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